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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find a copy of an supplementary European Search Report dated February 10, 2009, in connection with a European Patent Application corresponding to the above-identified application. Also enclosed are copies of documents cited in this supplementary European Search Report, and a Form PTO/SB/08A, listing the enclosed documents.

Please note that an English-language abstract is also enclosed, for the enclosed Japanese-language patent document.

This information disclosure statement is being submitted before the mailing date of either a final action or a notice of allowance and is accompanied by the following certification specified in 37 CFR '1.97(e)

On information and belief, I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

To the extent that the documents on the enclosed list are not in English, it is respectfully submitted that requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3) are satisfied by the English-language abstract of the non-English language document, and by the statements of relevance of the document on the enclosed supplemental European Search Report.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and 1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with present submission of the documents listed on the enclosed Form. Accordingly, consideration of the listed documents, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

In view of the finality of the Office Action of March 12, 2009 in the above-identified application, the fee due under 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.

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